

**Yakima County**  
**Youth & Tobacco Data Summary**  
**8TH GRADE**

Year 2000

	County %	State %
<b>8th Grade Students Surveyed (n = 1,588<sup>1</sup>)</b>	100.0%	100.0%
<b>Gender</b>		
Female	50.1%	51.9%
Male	49.9%	48.1%
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>		
Students of Color	51.1%	28.7%
White	48.9%	71.3%
	<b>County % +/-</b>	<b>State % +/-</b>
	<b>Margin of Error</b>	<b>Margin of Error</b>
<b>Past 30 days, youth who have smoked cigarettes at least once</b>		
Female (n = 784)	9.1% +/- .6	14.4% +/- .7
Male (n = 777)	11.1% +/- .6	10.2% +/- .6
<b>Total (n = 1,561)</b>	<b>10.1% +/- .6</b>	<b>12.4% +/- .7</b>
<b>Past 30 days, youth who have smoked cigars at least once</b>		
Female (n = 784)	4.1% +/- .4	2.9% +/- .3
Male (n = 777)	7.1% +/- .5	5.4% +/- .5
<b>Total (n = 1,561)</b>	<b>5.6% +/- .5</b>	<b>4.1% +/- .4</b>
<b>Past 30 days, youth who have smoked tobacco in a pipe at least once</b>		
Female (n = 783)	4.3% +/- .4	1.7% +/- .3
Male (n = 775)	6.1% +/- .4	2.4% +/- .3
<b>Total (n = 1,558)</b>	<b>5.2% +/- .4</b>	<b>2.0% +/- .3</b>
<b>Past 30 days, youth who have smoked bidis (flavored cigarettes) at least once</b>		
Female (n = 779)	3.1% +/- .3	3.4% +/- .4
Male (n = 772)	5.8% +/- .5	3.1% +/- .3
<b>Total (n = 1,551)</b>	<b>4.4% +/- .4</b>	<b>3.3% +/- .4</b>
<b>Past 30 days, youth who have used smokeless tobacco at least once</b>		
Female (n = 778)	2.2% +/- .3	1.4% +/- .2
Male (n = 770)	4.8% +/- .4	2.6% +/- .3
<b>Total (n = 1,548)</b>	<b>3.5% +/- .4</b>	<b>1.9% +/- .3</b>
<b>Past 30 days, youth who have used any tobacco product at least once</b>		
Female (n = 775)	12.1% +/- .7	15.5% +/- .7
Male (n = 768)	15.5% +/- .7	13.9% +/- .7
<b>Total (n = 1,543)</b>	<b>13.8% +/- .7</b>	<b>14.8% +/- .7</b>

Source: Washington State Department of Health  
Tobacco Prevention and Control  
Assessment and Evaluation

n = number of survey respondents for county.  
NA = not available

<sup>1</sup>Includes 36 8th grade private school students.

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	<b>County % +/- Margin of Error</b>	<b>State % +/- Margin of Error</b>
<b>About how many cigarettes have you smoked in your entire life?</b>	(n = 1,513)	
None	64.2% +/- 1.0	64.9% +/- 1.0
1/2 pack or less	26.4% +/- .9	22.2% +/- .8
1 - 4 packs	5.9% +/- .5	6.3% +/- .5
5 or more packs	3.5% +/- .4	6.5% +/- .5
<b>Do you want to stop using tobacco right now? (among current tobacco users)</b>	(n = 195)	
Yes	51.8% +/- 1.0	59.4% +/- 1.0
<b>Have you ever participated in a program to help you quit using tobacco? (among current tobacco users)</b>	(n = 230)	
Yes	16.5% +/- .7	7.2% +/- .5
<b>During past 12 months, did you ever try to quit using tobacco? (cigarettes, cigars, or chew/dip)? (among current tobacco users)</b>	(n = 218)	
Yes	57.3% +/- 1.0	61.0% +/- 1.0
<b>Do you think you will smoke a cigarette at any time during the next year?</b>	(n = 1,561)	
Definitely no	58.0% +/- 2.0	60.8% +/- 2.0
<b>If one of your best friends offered you a cigarette, would you smoke it?</b>	(n = 1,547)	
Definitely no	60.1% +/- 1.9	63.9% +/- 1.9
<b>Susceptibility Index (combination of the previous two questions, either of which receives any answer other than 'Definitely no')</b>	(n = 1,551)	
	47.3% +/- 1.0	43.6% +/- 1.0
<b>If one of your best friends offered you a cigarette, would you smoke it? (from among youth who did not smoke in last 30 days)</b>	(n = 1,383)	
Definitely no	66.5% +/- 1.6	72.0% +/- 1.4
<b>Do you think the smoke from other people's cigarettes (second-hand smoke) is harmful to you?</b>	(n = 1,540)	
Definitely yes or Probably yes	86.6% +/- 1.8	88.9% +/- 1.5
<b>Do you think it is safe to smoke for only a year or two, as long as you quit after that?</b>	(n = 1,555)	
Definitely no	59.0% +/- 1.8	69.6% +/- 1.4

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<b>Would you ever use or wear something that has a tobacco company name or picture on it such as a lighter, t-shirt, hat, or sunglasses?</b>	(n = 1,545)	
Definitely no	43.1% +/- 1.9	45.6% +/- 1.9
<b>During last 12 months, did you buy or receive anything that has a tobacco name or picture on it?</b>	(n = 1,539)	
Yes	14.5% +/- .7	16.2% +/- .7
<b>During past 7 days, on how many days were you in the same room with someone who was smoking cigarettes?</b>	(n = 1,419)	
3 or more days	25.8% +/- 1.7	29.6% +/- 1.8
<b>During past 7 days, on how many days did you ride in a car with someone who was smoking cigarettes?</b>	(n = 1,413)	
3 or more days	20.7% +/- 1.6	24.3% +/- 1.7
<b>During this school year, did you practice ways to say 'NO' to tobacco in any of your classes (for example, by role playing)?</b>	(n = 1,552)	
Yes	26.2% +/- .9	48.6% +/- 1.0
<b>During past 30 days, have you seen or heard commercials on TV, the Internet, or on the radio about the dangers of cigarette smoking?</b>	(n = 1,546)	
More than once a week	72.4% +/- 1.4	77.1% +/- 1.3
<b>How wrong would most adults in your neighborhood think it was for kids your age to smoke cigarettes?</b>	(n = 1,524)	
Very wrong	59.4% +/- 1.6	57.5% +/- 1.7
<b>If you wanted to get some tobacco, how easy would it be for you to get some?</b>	(n = 1,507)	
Very hard or Sort of hard	48.5% +/- 2.7	52.2% +/- 2.7
<b>Has either of your parents (or guardians) discussed the dangers of tobacco use with you?</b>	(n = 1,540)	
Yes	68.3% +/- .9	71.2% +/- .9
<b>Does anyone who lives with you now smoke cigarettes?</b>	(n = 1,412)	
Yes	36.4% +/- 1.0	38.4% +/- 1.0